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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

SILVIA and YU

Application No.: 09/623,304

Filed: February 21, 2001

For: IDENTIFICATION AND  
EXPRESSION OF HUMAN KIR5.1

Examiner: Bridget E. Bunner

Art Unit: 1647

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Appendix A is a marked-up version that shows all changes made. Appendix B contains all pending claims subject to examination.

A petition for extension of time to respond for two months from January 23, 2003, to March 23, 2003, is filed concurrently herewith.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the title of the application on the cover page and page 1 with the following amended version:

--NUCLEIC ACID ENCODING HUMAN KIR5.1--